

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q96763

Hiroaki HAYASHI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/590,661

Group Art Unit: 1656

Confirmation No.: 2141

Examiner: David J. Steadman

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For: TRITERPENE HYDROXYLASE

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Restriction Requirement, dated January 30, 2008. In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant elects Group I (claims 1-11) directed to an expression vector for examination. This election is made with traverse to the extent that Applicants reserve the right to seek rejoinder of claims 12-16 upon allowance of one or more of the elected claims.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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